

AP20 Reg'd PTO 29 JUN 2006

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Oliver KUTZER

Art Unit: to be assigned

Application No.: to be assigned

Examiner: to be assigned

Filing Date: to be assigned

Atty. Docket: 2003P19044WOUS

For: *Method and Arrangement for Detecting
Overlapping Flat Mailpieces*

Confirmation No.: to be assigned

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

United States Patent & Trademark Office
COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

The enclosed form PTO/SB/08A lists documents that may be considered material to the examination of this application, in compliance with the duty of disclosure requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98.

Applicant reserves the right to establish the patentability of the claimed invention over any of the information provided herewith, and/or to prove that this information may not be prior art, and/or to prove that this information may not be enabling for the teachings purportedly offered.

This statement should not be construed as a representation that an exhaustive search has been made, or that there does not exist information more material to the examination of the present patent application. The Examiner is specifically requested not to rely solely on the material submitted herewith. It is further understood that the Examiner will review art of record in all 35 U.S.C. §120 priority documents.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the U.S. filing date OR before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits. No certification or fee is required.

2003P19044WOUS 29 JUN 2006

PTO/SB/08A lists documents that are listed in the international search report (enclosed) for international application no. PCT/EP2004/013496. If available, PTO/SB/08A lists English language family members. The relevance of the listed documents is indicated in the international search report.


Further, PTO/SB/08A lists documents that are cited in the instant specification. If available, PTO/SB/08A lists English language family members. Otherwise, a Derwent Abstract is enclosed, if available.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the enclosed form and to indicate in the official file of this patent application that the documents have been considered.

It is Applicant's understanding that no fee is due for this request. However, in the event that the Patent and Trademark Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, Applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorize the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No.: 502464 referencing docket no.: 2003P19044WOUS. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 6/29/06



John P. Musone
Attorney for Applicant
Registration No. 44,961
Tel: (407) 736 6449
Customer No.: 28204

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT (use as many sheets as necessary)				Complete if Known Application Number: 10/585009 Filing Date: to be assigned First Named Inventor: Oliver KUTZER Art Unit: to be assigned Examiner Name: to be assigned Attorney Docket Number: 2003P19044WOUS	
Sheet	1	of	2		

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials *	Cite No. ¹	Document Number	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
		Number - Kind Code ² (if known)			
		US- 4,733,226	03/22/1988	KASUYA <i>et al.</i>	
		US- 5,560,598	10/01/1996	GOLDKUHLE	
		US- 3,186,708	06/01/1965	HINZ	
		US- 2004/0195760	10/07/2004	ZIMMERMANN <i>et al.</i>	
		US- 2003/0234158	12/25/2003	ZATTLER	
		US- 5,505,440	04/09/1996	UEMATSU	
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			
		US-			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials *	Cite No. ¹	Foreign Patent Document	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T ⁶
		Country Code ³ - Number ⁴ - Kind Code ⁵ (if known)				
		JP 11334938	12/07/1999	Dainippon Screen MFG CO LTD		
		JP 01172151	07/07/1989	Fujitsu Kiden LTD		
		DE 196 25 044 A1	01/02/1998	Siemens AG		
		WO01/89 724	11/29/2001	Konin-Klijke KPN N.V.		
		JP 09020438	01/21/1997	Nec Corp.		

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
--------------------	--	-----------------	--

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. 1 Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). 2 See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. 3 Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). 4 For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. 5 Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. 6 Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO				Complete if Known	
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT (use as many sheets as necessary)				Application Number	to be assigned
				Filing Date	to be assigned
				First Named Inventor	Oliver KUTZER
				Art Unit	to be assigned
				Examiner Name	to be assigned
Sheet	2	of	2	Attorney Docket Number	2003P19044WOUS

OTHER PRIOR ART -- NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS			
Examiner Initials *	Cite No. ¹	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T ²
		Derwent Abstract - DE-196 25 044 A1; 01/02/1998; Siemens Aktiengesellschaft, D-80333 München, GERMANY	

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
-----------------------	--	--------------------	--

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

1 Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). 2 Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached. This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.98. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 120 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.